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Gary Peltier
Richard Tobias
Thomas Umphenour

**ALMONT VILLAGE COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
April 1, 2014**

CALL TO ORDER

President Schneider called the Regular Meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

President Schneider led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Councilmembers Present: Dyke, Lauer, Love, Peltier, Tobias, Umphenour, Schneider

Councilmembers Absent: None

Staff Present:	Village Manager	Oliver Turner
	Clerk/Treasurer	Kimberly Keesler
	DPW Superintendent	Bryan Treat

Guests Present: Mr. Doug Scott, ROWE Professional Services
Mr. Steven C. Schneider
Mr. Marty Clauw
Ms. Stephanie Boyle
Mr. Ian Kempf
Mr. Mike Ohlert
One Citizen

COMMUNICATIONS

President Schneider notified Council the Village received notification from Taylor, Butterfield, Howell, Churchill & Jarvis, P.C. that Brian Garner will become a partner in their law firm.

President Schneider informed Council the Village received an inquiry letter from Lapper County Board of Commissioners as to whether the Almont DDA would be capturing part of the Senior millage.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Councilmember Dyke moved, Councilmember Peltier seconded, **PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**, to approve the agenda with the addition of Item #7 – Legal Opinion received from the Village Attorney regarding concerns expressed by Mr. Clauw at the March 18, 2014 Regular Meeting.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

Councilmember Dyke moved, Councilmember Peltier seconded, **PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**, to approve the following consent agenda items:

1. Regular Meeting Minutes, March 18, 2014, with the correct spelling of "Detroit" in Item #3, last sentence of the first paragraph.
2. Warrant #14-04-A Ck #32517-32566, MSHDA Ck #11-12, Equip Ck #1313, EFT #34
3. Payroll Report Ck #15642-15650, DD #697-717, EFT #60-62



PUBLIC COMMENT

None

REGULAR AGENDA

1. Pumping Station Infrastructure – Analysis of Action Alternatives.

Council asked questions to Mr. Doug Scott of ROWE Professional Services Company and DPW Superintendent Treat regarding the action alternatives related to pumping station infrastructure.

Councilmember Lauer moved, Councilmember Umphenour seconded, **PASSED**, with Love dissenting, to acquire property near the existing pump station location in order to construct a new above-ground pumping station.

2. Pumping Station Infrastructure – Property Acquisition Alternatives

Councilmember Dyke moved, Councilmember Peltier seconded, **PASSED**, with Love dissenting, for ROWE PSC to create a formal site plan, arrange for the completion of title work and insurance, arrange for the completion of a Phase One Environmental Study, and complete a survey as well as a legal description for any property acquired for the construction of an above-ground pumping station for an amount not to exceed \$13,000; and to contract with Terry Donnelly of Dickinson Wright as Bond Counsel and Robert Bendzinski as Financial Advisor for the Village during the issuance of bonds for the above ground pump station.

3. Four Corners Request – Almont American Legion Aux. Post 479

Councilmember Peltier moved, Councilmember Lauer seconded, **PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**, to express no objections to Almont American Legion Auxiliary Post 479 soliciting donations on local streets on May 1, May 2, and May 3.

4. MiDEALS – Annual Road Salt Request

Councilmember Dyke moved, Councilmember Tobias seconded, **PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**, to approve the submission of a 100-ton road salt order to the MiDEALS program for the 2014-2015 winter season.

5. Resolution No. 14-04-01 – Schedule for Records Management and Preservation of Documents

Councilmember Lauer moved, Councilmember Umphenour seconded, **PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**, to adopt Resolution No. 14-04-01 adopting the general schedules stated in the resolution.

6. Ordinance No. 190 – Park Control Ordinance

Councilmember Dyke moved, Councilmember Peltier seconded, **PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**, to adopt Ordinance No. 190, the "Village of Almont Park Control Ordinance".

7. Legal Opinion from Village Attorney

Councilmember Umphenour excused himself at 8:19 p.m.



President Schneider read the legal opinion from Village Attorney Gary Howell. Discussion was held. Mr. Clauw addressed the Council.

Councilmember Umphenour returned at 9:30 p.m.

It was the consensus of Council to move Regular Agenda Item #8 after Council/Manager Comment.

OPEN DISCUSSION

1. **MDEQ Response Letter**
2. **DDA Director's Report**
3. **Almont Community Parks and Recreation Board Meeting Minutes**

COUNCIL/MANAGER COMMENT

Councilmember Love requested that DPW paint a center line on E. Washington as people tend to think E. Washington is a One-Way street. DPW Superintendent Treat indicated it could be done when E. and W. St. Clair lines are painted later this year.

Councilmember Dyke requested that much needed road repairs be added into next fiscal year's budget as there are several Village streets that are in severe disrepair.

Councilmember Tobias requested the Village add more signs for public parking in the downtown area, near Mill Street.

Village Manager Turner introduced Ms. Stephanie Boyle who has been job-shadowing for one of her classes at Mott Community College. He also notified Council that Mike Engels from Michigan Rural Water Association will be here on April 21st whenever it is convenient for Council to meet. It was the consensus of Council to have a Special Meeting on Monday, April 21, 2014 at 7:30 p.m.

Mr. Ian Kempf notified Council of the ORV Ordinance Public Hearing on Thursday, April 3, 2014 at 9:30 a.m.

REGULAR AGENDA (Cont.)

8. **Closed Session – Discussion Regarding the Purchase of Real Property**

Councilmember Dyke moved, Councilmember Peltier seconded, **PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**, to go into closed session in accordance with Section 8 (d) of the Michigan Open Meeting Act, being Public Act 267 of 1976, to discuss the purchase of real property.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Lauer, Love, Peltier, Tobias, Umphenour, Dyke, Schneider
Nays: None
Absent: None
Abstain: None

Councilmember Love requested a short recess before going into Closed Session.



Council recessed at 9:48 p.m.

Council came back from recess at 10:00 p.m.

Council entered Closed Session at 10:00 p.m.

Council exited Closed Session at 10:08 p.m.

Discussion was held regarding the property lines of 515 S. Main Street.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 10:15 p.m.

Kimberly J. Keesler
Clerk/Treasurer

Steve Schneider
President

Approved Date: April 15, 2014

